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Letter from David [Gilrye Muir] to [Daniel H. Muir], [ca. 1884].

David Gilrye Muir

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Confidential

Katie is holding her own
& even seems to be gaining
in strength. You ask what
she is doing for it she has
a Salve to apply & for her
~~general~~ blood she takes
back-thorn berries once a
week. Thus 12 berries steeped
so long & drinks $\frac{1}{2}$ of the tea once
& $\frac{1}{2}$ next a m

There is no fluid extract of Clove
in town, is it Clove or Sweet
Clove.

Her breast is shrinking down smaller
& smaller almost to a level with her
body. the opening is $\frac{3}{4}$ inch long & $\frac{3}{8}$ inch
wide close to the nipple watery matter
oozes out. the flesh is bright red, almost pink

Sometimes the sore is painful
but there is no pain in the
breast elsewhere. But the whole
of it itches terribly by spells
so that she has to bathe it
& try every-thing until it
stops.

Suppose you write me a letter
that I can show ~~her~~
I say that whether it
is a cancer, tumor or
cancerous sore, or any other
bad sore. The best out-
ward application is sores
& the best wine is sores
& " " blood purifier " " " "

Thanks for your interest in
past letters. I feel as if
you had wronged yourself
by not keeping part of that
\$100.00 for I understood you
had spent money on my
place. ~~Very~~ Truly yours
David